(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of those doctors against which administrative action/eviction proceedings were initiated under the rules; and

(c) by when Government proposes to get them vacated and allot the same to the eligible doctors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) Instructions are already in vogue that CGHS officers/officials who are in possession of CGHS Pool accommodation must vacate the same within the permissible time limit on being allotted General Pool accommodation. However, eviction proceedings cannot be initiated only on the ground that General Pool accommodation has been offered to an employee. The employee concerned has to accept the allotment and occupy the same before he/she can be evicted from CGHS pool accommodation.

National Immunization Programme in Punjab

†3132. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government had issued instructions to the Government of Punjab to ensure the effective implementation of National Immunization Programme with a view to get rid of fatal diseases like tetanus, measles, diphtheria, whooping cough, T.B. and polio by including these diseases in regular immunization programme;

(b) if so, the reasons for not controlling these diseases by the Government of Punjab;

(c) whether such instructions have been issued to the other States also; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of such States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes, Sir. Under the Universal Immunization Programme Government of India is

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

providing vaccination to prevent six vaccine preventable diseases *i.e.* Tuberculosis, Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Polio, and Measles to all States including Punjab.

(b) Government of Punjab is implementing the immunization programme in the State. Coverage of various antigens as indicated by coverage evaluation survey of 2005 are BCG 93.7%, DPT3 87.5%, OPV3 86.7%, Measles 87.5%.

(c) Yes, sir.

(d) Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) has been taken as one of the thrust areas under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM). Efforts are being made under NRHM to achieve near 100% coverage of all antigens. Monthly Health Day is being organised in every village/ Anganwadi by the States wherein immunization of children is taken up as an important activity. The States have been provided with regular supply of vaccines, AD Syringes, mobility support, support for vaccine delivery to fill up the critical gaps in the programme. Besides monitoring of the programme is also intensified at all levels.

Spraying of DDT to control diseases

3133. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there had been increase in number of cases of Malaria, Kala-azar, T.B., etc. on the country during the years 2004-2005 and 2005-06 particularly in Bihar and Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have made necessary arrangements for the spray of DDT in rural/urban areas in the country;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) how much funds have been received from foreign agencies and Government's contribution for this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) The Malaria cases have declined in the country as per reports received from States/UTs including Maharashtra and Bihar. The case of kala-azar have